

Leo Reynolds of South Dakota (Representative of Business) (Oct. 29, 1998).

To the Congressional Award Board, pursuant to Public Law 96-114, as amended, Janice Griffin of Maryland. (Nov. 13, 1998).

To the Commission on the Advancement of Women and Minorities in Science, Engineering, and Technology Development, pursuant to Public Law 105-255, Kathryn O. Johnson of South Dakota. (Nov. 23, 1998).

To the Web-Based Education Commission, pursuant to Public Law 105-244, the Honorable J. Robert Kerrey of Nebraska and Dr. Richard J. Gowen of South Dakota. (Nov. 23, 1998)

To the Advisory Commission on Electronic Commerce, pursuant to Public Law 105-277, James Barksdale of California (Non-Government), Paul Clinton Harris, Sr., of Virginia (Government), Michel O. Leavitt of Utah (Government), John Sidgmore of Virginia (Non-Government), and Stanley S. Sokul of New Hampshire (Non-Government). (Dec. 3, 1998)

To the Advisory Commission on Electronic Commerce, pursuant to Public Law 105-277, Ted Waitt of South Dakota (Electronic Commerce), C. Michael Armstrong of New Jersey (Telecommunications), and Larry Carter of California (Electronic Commerce). (Dec. 4, 1998)

To the Advisory Commission on Electronic Commerce, pursuant to Public Law 105-277, Gene N. Lebrun of South Dakota (State/Local Government), vice Larry Carter of California (Electronic Commerce). (Dec. 11, 1998)

To the United States Commission on International Religious Freedom, pursuant to Public Law 105-292, William Armstrong of Colorado and John R. Bolton of Maryland. (Dec. 22, 1998)

To the Trade Deficit Review Commission, pursuant to Public Law 105-277, Wayne D. Angell of Virginia, Anne O. Krueger of California, and Murray Weidenbaum of Missouri. (Dec. 29, 1998)

#### MAKING CERTAIN MAJORITY APPOINTMENTS TO COMMITTEES

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of S. Res. 18, regarding majority committee assignments.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 18) making certain majority appointments to certain Senate committees for the 106th Congress.

The Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, I further ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to and that the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The resolution (S. Res. 18) was agreed to, as follows:

#### S. RES. 18

*Resolved*, That notwithstanding the provisions of S. Res. 400 of the 95th Congress, or the provisions of Rule XXV, the following shall constitute the majority membership on those Senate committees listed below for the 106th Congress, or until their successors are appointed:

Budget: Mr. Domenici (Chairman), Mr. Grassley, Mr. Nickles, Mr. Gramm of Texas,

Mr. Bond, Mr. Gorton, Mr. Gregg, Ms. Snowe, Mr. Abraham, Mr. Frist, Mr. Grams, Mr. Smith of Oregon.

Special Committee on Aging: Mr. Grassley (Chairman), Mr. Jeffords, Mr. Craig, Mr. Burns, Mr. Shelby, Mr. Santorum, Mr. Hagel, Ms. Collins, Mr. Enzi, Mr. Bunning, Mr. Hutchinson of Arkansas.

#### PROVIDING FOR A JOINT SESSION OF CONGRESS

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of H. Con. Res. 1, which is at the desk.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered. The clerk will report.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 1) providing for a joint session of Congress to receive a message from the President.

The Senate proceeded to consider the concurrent resolution.

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to and that the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 1) was agreed to.

#### MORNING BUSINESS

During today's session, the following morning business was conducted.

#### MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mr. Williams, one of his secretaries.

#### EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

#### EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, which were referred as indicated:

EC-584. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Hamilton Standard 54H60 Series Propellers" (Docket 98-ANE-59-AD) received on December 7, 1998; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-585. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Allison Engine Company 250-B and 250-C Series Turboshift and Turboprop Engines"

(Docket 98-ANE-23-AD) received on December 7, 1998; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-586. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Capital Leases" (RIN2132-AA65) received on December 11, 1998; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-587. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Operation Regulations: Fort Point Channel, MA" (CGD01-98-039) received on December 11, 1998; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-588. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Explosive Load, Bath Iron Works, Bath, ME" (CGD01-98-171) received on December 11, 1998; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-589. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Local Regulations for Marine Events; Patapsco River, Baltimore, MD" (CGD05-98-100) received on December 11, 1998; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-590. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Operation Regulations; Anacostia River, Washington, D.C." (CGD05-98-017) received on December 11, 1998; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-591. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Boeing Model 727 Series Airplanes" (Docket 98-NM-319-AD) received on December 11, 1998; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-592. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule regarding airworthiness directives on various Aircraft Belts, Inc. restraint systems (Docket 98-SW-33-AD) received on December 11, 1998; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-593. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment to Class E Airspace; Rome, NY" (Docket 98-AEA-36) received on December 11, 1998; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-594. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Class E Airspace; Fishers Island, NY" (Docket 98-AEA-38) received on December 11, 1998; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-595. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Boeing Model 747-100, -200, -300, -400, 747SP, and 747SR Series Airplanes" (Docket 96-NM-260-AD) received on December 11, 1998; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-596. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; McDonnell Douglas Helicopter Systems Model 369D, 369E, 369FF, 500N, AH-6,